



j. Abstract of the Disclosure

Pending structural engineer approval, the invention replaces previous technology for creating vertical separation between concrete or soil and exposed structural wood posts. Previous accommodations for this requirement call for obtrusive raised concrete bases (considerably wider than the posts themselves) under the posts. Such bases create the potential for personal injury and are visually unappealing.

The bracket base is of equal size and shape to the bottom of the cross-cut wood post. The single center-mounted bolting strap allows for recessing the nuts, bolts, and washers flush to the outside of the post. There are, thus, continuous planes along the four sides of the post from its top to the bottom of the exposed bracket. The entire post and bracket can be clad with any suitable material (wood, manufactured sidings, aluminum, vinyl, etc.) to conceal the entire bracket and structural post.